

STRAPHANGERS' HOPE DASHED BY WATER IN STOCK

That Must Be Squeezed Out Before Companies Can Improve Service.

MORE CARS ARE NEEDED.

Yet Load of Debt and Water Makes It Impossible to Force Purchase.

It, in the judgment of the commission having jurisdiction, any railroad corporation or street railroad corporation does not run trains enough or cars enough or possess or operate motive power enough, reasonably to accommodate the traffic, passenger and freight, transported by or offered for transportation to it, or does not run its trains or cars with sufficient frequency or at a reasonable or proper time, having regard to safety, the commission shall after a hearing either on its own motion or after complaint, have power to make an order directing any such railroad corporation or street railroad corporation to increase the number of its trains or of its cars.

Straphangers' clause in new Public Service Commission's law. More than a billion passengers a year are carried by cars of the Inter-Met. system, and of this great army 18,250,000 are straphangers on the Subway and "L" lines. To provide a seat for every passenger 740 new "L" cars and 357 additional Subway cars are required—an expenditure of about \$10,000,000—as during the rush hour periods the company utilizes the capacity of its present equipment.

With the New York City Railway Company floundering in the mire of an expensive receivership, and the bankruptcy extending to the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, the Third Avenue Railway and the city-owned subway in the Third Avenue system, there is little hope of such an outlay for cars.

Debts for Improvements. The Commission could go ahead and issue an order directing an increase in the number of cars, but it is doubtful if the courts would sustain Gov. Hughes's appointments when the surface lines own the city over \$15,000,000 for taxes, and the "L" roads and Subway \$4,000,000, a total of more than \$19,000,000. Besides, not less than \$8,000,000 is required without delay to change to electric traction the 20 per cent. of surface lines still operated by the faithful horse.

Every single road of the surface car combine is over-capitalized, and over \$30,000,000 is said to be owed for money borrowed on notes. As the Inter-Met is piling up losses instead of profits how is it ever going to improve its equipment and lessen the woe of the straphanger? Where is the Inter-Met going to get the money to carry out the praiseworthy orders issued by the commission?

That is why many prominent citizens of New York are urging the members of the commission to first let out the water from the big Inter-Met. traction monster. Daniel L. Turner, engineer with the late Rapid Transit Commission, is the true friend of the straphangers. Mr. Turner simply dots on them. He has done a great deal for the standee victims of the rush-hour period on the "L" trains and in the subway. Mr. Turner has put them into an interesting table as follows:

Line and Service.	Extra cars in rush hours. Seats to all.
Second av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Second av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Third av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Third av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Fourth av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Fourth av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Fifth av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Fifth av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Sixth av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Sixth av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Seventh av. n.b.bound. 1,350	87
Seventh av. s.b.bound. 1,650	100
Subway, n.b.bound. 2,200	140
Subway, s.b.bound. 2,200	140
Totals	49,742 997

Taking the maximum of standing passengers one way on each line this table shows that 996 cars in all are needed. The time fast approaches when taxes and other enormous debts of the Inter-Met. system must be paid. Before the merger the total street railway capitalization in the city was \$100,000,000. The Bronx was \$40,000,000. After the merger it was \$54,000,000. Fully half of this enormous sum, if not more, is said to be bogus capital.

After the Public Service Commission has let the water run out, then, and only then, will the straphanger come into his own. An order from the commission will then have more than a headline value, and the additional cars needed to sit everybody down while riding can be ordered from the car builders and paid for.

DID GEN. FURLONG HAVE SON LIVING?

Efforts are being made to-day to learn if Gen. Charles E. Furlong, who lived twenty-nine years at the Fifth Avenue Hotel and died in Portland, Me., on Wednesday, has a son living in Hong Kong, China.

It was always believed by his friends here that he had no near relatives, but City Magistrate Henry J. Furlong, of Brooklyn, a distant kinsman, believes Robert Furlong, agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Society in Hong Kong, is the general's son. If such is the case the body will be sent to the city, estimated at from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

General Furlong's funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Dr. David J. Burnett, of the Marble Collegiate Church, will conduct the services. The remains will be buried at Woodlawn.

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SPECIAL EDITORIAL ON CLOTHING.

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